

House Bill 593

By: Representatives Squires of the 78th, Martin of the 47th and Sinkfield of the 57th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 known as the "Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Act," so as to change the provision
3 relating to eligibility for assistance for qualified aliens; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
4 other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, known as the
8 "Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Act," is amended by striking subsection (b) of
9 Code Section 49-4-188, relating to eligibility for assistance for qualified aliens, and inserting
10 in lieu thereof the following:

11 "(b) Qualified aliens who arrived in the United States prior to August 22, 1996, will
12 continue to be eligible for assistance under the Georgia TANF Program upon meeting the
13 same qualifications and conditions as other applicants. Qualified aliens who arrived in the
14 United States on or after August 22, 1996, will not be eligible for TANF assistance, except
15 to the extent required by federal law; provided, however, that such qualified aliens will be
16 eligible for cash assistance until July 1, ~~2001~~ 2002, unless such period is extended by
17 enactment of the General Assembly, upon meeting the same qualifications and conditions
18 as other applicants."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.